

## City of Coral Gables CITY COMMISSION MEETING February 26, 2019

## **ITEM TITLE:**

A resolution of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida, condemning Airbnb Inc.'s decision to remove listings of rentals in Israeli settlements in the West Bank; and, directing the City Clerk to transmit a copy of this resolution to the officials designated herein.

## **BRIEF HISTORY:**

Airbnb, Inc. ("Airbnb") is a privately held global company headquartered in San Francisco, California that operates an online marketplace and hospitality service, which is accessible via its websites and mobile applications and through which its members can arrange or offer lodging and tourism experiences. Recently, Airbnb decided to remove all listings of rentals in Israeli settlements in the area commonly referred to as the "West Bank," while continuing to allow non-Israeli listings in the West Bank

The City of Coral Gables, along with several municipalities in Miami-Dade County, views Airbnb's actions as antithetical to the nondiscriminatory values and policies that are important to our community, and believes all businesses that operate in the City and elsewhere should conduct themselves in a way that does not discriminate against anyone, for any reason, including but not limited to their nationality or religion.

The attached resolution condemns the discriminatory actions of Airbnb in Israel and should be transmitted by the City Clerk to the President of the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, the Board of County Commissioners for Miami-Dade County, and the Mayors of all municipalities in Miami-Dade County.

## **ATTACHMENT(S):**

1. Draft Resolution